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December 18, 2012

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
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Dear Supervisors:

ADOPTED

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

38 December 18, 2012

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EXECUTIVE OFFICER

**CHANGES IN WORK FOR
VARIOUS PUBLIC WORKS CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS
IN THE CITIES OF GARDENA AND LOS ANGELES AND
IN THE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES OF ATHENS,
EAST LOS ANGELES, LAKE LOS ANGELES, LAKEVIEW,
LONGVIEW, OBAN, SUN VILLAGE, AND WILSONA GARDENS
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 1, 2, 4, AND 5)
(3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

This action is to approve changes in work and the increased contract amounts for various public works construction contracts in the Cities of Gardena and Los Angeles and in the unincorporated communities of Athens, East Los Angeles, Lake Los Angeles, Lakeview, Oban, Sun Village, and Wilsona Gardens.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

Find that the requested changes in work will have no significant effect on the environment and approve the changes and increased contract amounts for the following construction contracts:

- Project ID No. RDC0015166 – Whittier Boulevard Revitalization Project, related to construction of streetscape improvements, in the unincorporated community of East Los Angeles, for installing an additional bus shelter, with an increase in the contract amount of \$8,000, performed by Bitech Construction Company, Inc.;
- Project ID No. RDC0015333 – 50th Street East, et al., related to reconstruction and resurfacing of roadway pavement, in the unincorporated communities of Lake Los Angeles, Lakeview, Longview,

Oban, Sun Village, and Wilsona Gardens, for variations in bid quantities and reimbursement for permit fee, with an increase in the contract amount of \$34,111.61, performed by Toro Enterprises, Inc.; and

- Project ID No. TSM0010063 – Vermont Avenue, et al., related to modification and synchronization of traffic signals, in the Cities of Gardena and Los Angeles and in the unincorporated community of Athens, for exploratory borings and various traffic improvements, with an increase in the contract amount of \$29,125, performed by Unique Performance Construction, Inc.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended actions is to obtain approval of the projects from the Board for changes in various public works construction contracts in support of the timely completion of the projects while avoiding delays and the potential for claims. The descriptions of the changes, estimated costs, and the necessary time extensions are listed in the enclosure for each contract.

The Director of Public Works (Director) or her designee has been authorized by the Board to order changes in work up to \$10,000 for construction contracts. Enclosed for the Board's approval are changes in work in excess of the Director's delegated limits, which are required to complete Project ID Nos. RDC0015166, RDC0015333, and TSM0010063.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provisions of Operational Effectiveness (Goal 1) and Integrated Services Delivery (Goal 3). Approval of these changes will provide improved infrastructure to better serve the public and enhance the quality of life in the affected communities.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

These changes in work will have no impact to the County General Fund.

Project ID No. RDC0015166, with an increase in the contract amount of \$8,000, in the First Supervisorial District's Proposition A Local Return Transit Program and included in the Fiscal Year 2012-13 Road Fund Budget.

Project ID No. RDC0015333, with an increase in the contract amount of \$34,111.61, is included in the Fifth Supervisorial District's Road Construction Program in the Fiscal Year 2012-13 Road Fund Budget.

Project ID No. TSM0010063, with an increase in the contract amount of \$29,125, is included in the Fiscal Year 2012-13 Proposition C Local Return Fund Budget.

If these changes in work are not approved, contract completion will be delayed and increased costs incurred.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Each of the subject contracts for the construction of public works improvements were awarded by the Board to the apparent responsible contractors with the lowest responsive bids in accordance with the State Public Contract Code, the Board's directives, and as recommended by the Director or her

designee.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The changes in work as described above and in the enclosures do not change any conditions which resulted in the original environmental findings.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

Each contract provides that the contractor be compensated for the work resulting from changes to the original plans and specifications or changed conditions encountered during the course of construction. The costs are based on contract unit prices, time and materials, or negotiated under the provisions of the contract specifications. The methods for arriving at the costs of the changes are included in the enclosure.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Approval of the requested changes by the Board will ensure the timely completion of work under each of the respective contracts and result in complete and usable facilities.

CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to the Department of Public Works, Construction Division.

Respectfully submitted,



GAIL FARBER

Director

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Enclosures

c: Chief Executive Office (Rita Robinson)
County Counsel
Executive Office
Internal Services Department (Countywide
Contract Compliance)

CHANGE IN WORK (APPROVE)

December 18, 2012

PROJECT ID NO. RDC0015166 – Whittier Boulevard Revitalization Project (in the unincorporated community of East Los Angeles), Supervisorial District 1, Contractor: Bitech Construction Company, Inc.

Project Description:

Construction of streetscape improvements.

Change in Work:

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| Additional bus shelter | \$8,000.00 |
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Description of Changes:

It is necessary to compensate the contractor for installing an additional bus shelter on Whittier Boulevard at Atlantic Boulevard.

No additional working days will be required because of this change.

Financial Information:

Funding for this change in work is available in the First Supervisorial District's Proposition A Local Return Transit Program and included in the Fiscal Year 2012-13 Transit Enterprise Fund Budget.

Revised Contract Amount:

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| Original contract amount | \$2,150,367.00 |
| Changes previously approved by the Board | 728,445.00 |
| Changes in work previously approved under delegated authority | 6,800.00 |
| Change in work to be approved | <u>8,000.00</u> |
| Revised contract amount | <u>\$2,893,612.00</u> |
| Percent total change to original contract amount | 35% |

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CHANGES IN WORK (APPROVE)
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PROJECT ID NO. RDC0015333 – 50th Street East, et al., (in the unincorporated communities of Lake Los Angeles, Lakeview, Longview, Oban, Sun Village, and Wilsona Gardens), Supervisorial District 5, Contractor: Toro Enterprises, Inc.

Project Description:

Reconstruction and resurfacing of roadway pavement and the performance of other appurtenant work.

Changes in Work:

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| (1) Variations in bid quantities | \$20,473.28 |
| (2) Reimbursement of permit fees | <u>13,638.33</u> |
| Total | <u>\$34,111.61</u> |

Description of Changes:

(1) The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The increase in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities.

(2) It is necessary to reimburse the contractor for the cost of obtaining permits from Caltrans and the Southern California Regional Rail Authority as required by the contract specifications.

The cost for Item 1 will be based on contract unit prices. The cost for Item 2 will be based on time and materials as provided in Subsection 3-3 of the contract specifications.

No additional working days will be required because of these changes.

Financial Information:

The project cost is financed with State Proposition 1B Transportation Bond funds under the Local Streets and Road Improvement, Congestion Relief, and Traffic Safety Account of 2006. Funding for these changes in work is included in the Fifth Supervisorial District's Road Construction Program in the Fiscal Year 2012-13 Road Fund Budget.

Revised Contract Amount:

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| Original contract amount | \$1,432,554.95 |
| Changes in work previously approved by the Board | 187,823.60 |
| Changes in work to be approved | <u>34,111.61</u> |
| Revised contract amount | <u>\$1,654,490.16</u> |
| Percent total change to original contract amount | 15% |

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CHANGES IN WORK (APPROVE)
December 18, 2012

PROJECT ID NO. TSM0010063 - Vermont Avenue, et al. (in the Cities of Gardena and Los Angeles and in the unincorporated community of Athens), Supervisorial Districts 2 and 4, Contractor: Unique Performance Construction, Inc.

Project Description:

Modification and synchronization of traffic signals and the performance of other appurtenant work.

Changes in Work:

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| (1) Exploratory borings | \$ 9,600.00 |
| (2) Various traffic improvements | <u>19,525.00</u> |
| Total | <u>\$29,125.00</u> |

Description of Changes:

(1) An unmarked Portland cement concrete structure was discovered during the installation of a conduit. The contractor will need to perform exploratory borings to determine the limits of this abandoned structure and the new alignment for the conduit. Borings will also be required to determine the depth of existing utilities. The contractor must be compensated for this extra work not shown on the plans.

Various traffic improvements are necessary including construction of foundations for cabinets and traffic signal poles, and modifications due to the presence of conflicting overhead utilities, rerouting a traffic signal conduit, and removal of an abandoned subterranean concrete box and structures. It is necessary to compensate the contractor for this extra work not shown on the plans.

The cost for Item 1 will be negotiated as provided in Subsection 3-3 of contract specifications. The cost for Item 2 will both be negotiated as provided in Subsection 3-2 and based on contract unit prices.

Fifteen additional working days will be required because of these changes in work.

Financial Information:

This project, including these changes in work, is financed with the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority 2001 Call for Projects, Proposition C Discretionary Grant funds and the Proposition C Local Return match funds. On an annual basis, the Board has established a \$2.5 million Top-of-Pot (TOP) allocation from the Proposition C Local Return Fund Budget for the County's Traffic Congestion Management Program. The Proposition C Local Return match funds will be funded from this TOP allocation. This project will be done at no cost to the cities involved. Financing for these changes in work is included in the Fiscal Year 2012-13 Proposition C Local Return Fund Budget.

Revised Contract Amount:

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| Original contract amount | \$416,213.43 |
| Changes in work approved under delegated authority | 8,234.46 |
| Changes in work to be approved | <u>29,125.00</u> |
| Revised contract amount | <u>\$453,572.89</u> |

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| Percent total change to original contract amount | 9% |
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